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Dubare Elephant Camp shut till... SOP implementation

APCCF reviews camp infrastructure, visitor management practices, safety protocols

Kushalnagar, May 21 (AG& BCT)- Following the tragic incident at Kodagu's Dubare Elephant Camp that claimed the lives of a woman tourist from Chennai and camp elephant Jai Marthanda, senior Forest officials have launched a detailed investigation and initiated major safety reforms at the popular eco-tourism destination.

Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests — APCCF (Vigilance) — Manoj Kumar Tripathi and Madikeri Deputy Conservator of Forests (DCF) Abhishek, accompanied by Dubare Range Forest Officer (RFO) Rakshith, visited the camp yesterday for an extensive inspection.

Authorities have decided to keep the camp closed to tourists for at least 15 days while new safety guidelines and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) are prepared and implemented.

The Dubare Elephant Camp has been closed to tourists.

The inspection team carried out a detailed review of the camp's infrastructure, visitor management practices and safety protocols. Officials also recorded statements from the Mahouts and Kavadis associated with elephants Kanjan and Jai Marthanda, which were involved in the fatal incident.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, RFO Rakshith said, a new SOP is being drafted and indicated that the camp's overall structure and visitor movement system would undergo major changes before reopening to the public.

Zoning & physical barriers

Until now, tourists at Dubare were allowed to move around freely and interact closely with elephants. Under the proposed guidelines, strict zoning and physical barriers will be introduced to prevent unrestricted public access to the animals.

(See DUBARE on page 7)

ARRESTED

RTI activist booked for attempt to murder

- Man clings to moving car bonnet in shocking ride
- Passerby shoots incident on phone camera

Gangaraju

Mysuru, May 21 (BLU&BS)- An RTI activist has been arrested on charges of attempt to murder after a video showing a man clinging precariously to the bonnet of a moving car surfaced yesterday evening.

N. Gangaraju, the RTI activist, was arrested after a First Information Report (FIR) was registered against him at Kuvempunagar Police Station in the early hours today.

The complaint was filed by Dhananjaya, the victim in the incident. Police have booked Gangaraju under Section 109 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS) for attempt to murder, according to Police sources.

(See RTI on page 7)

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Assess structural stability of dangerous buildings, submit lists: Mysuru DC

Mysuru, May 21 (MK&BCT)- Deputy Commissioner (DC) G. Lakshmikanth Reddy has directed all Government departments to immediately identify and submit lists of dilapidated buildings in Mysuru that could collapse during heavy rain or strong winds.

Reddy

The direction was issued during a meeting of the District Disaster Management Authority at the D. Devaraj Urs Hall in the Zilla Panchayat (ZP) office yesterday, where the DC warned officials that they would be held directly responsible if unsafe structures collapsed and caused casualties.

He instructed departments to take up the clearance of dangerous buildings using departmental funds. Once the lists are submitted, proposals for demolition will be placed before the District Disaster Management Committee for approval.

Survey of heritage buildings soon

"We are yet to begin the survey of dilapidated heritage buildings. Following the Deputy Commissioner's direction ahead of the monsoon, the survey will be taken up shortly. We have already prepared a list of heritage structures and steps will now be taken to identify buildings that are in a structurally weak and dangerous condition."

— K.R. Rakshith, Commissioner, MDA and Secretary, District Disaster Management Committee

"If a building in a dangerous condition collapses and results in loss of life, the responsibility will rest squarely on the concerned department. Prepare the list in 2 days," the DC ordered.

Referring to traditional and heritage structures that are in poor condition, the DC directed officials to obtain structural stability reports from the Public Works Department and submit them to his office without delay. He said, expert assessments were necessary before deciding whether such buildings should be preserved or demolished.

Zilla Panchayat Chief Executive Officer S. Ukesh Kumar and other senior officials attended the meeting.

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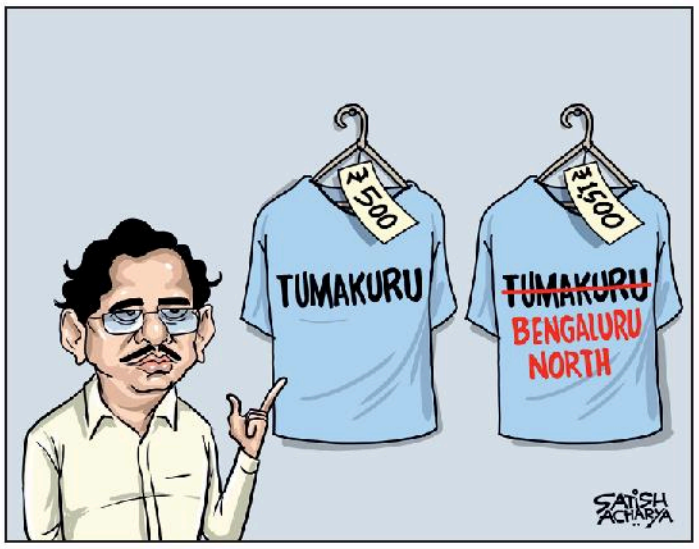
STAR PUNCH

By Satish Acharya



EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

LOOK BEYOND THE CLOSED DOOR: ***Life is a vast reservoir of potential, constantly preparing the stage for success. Encountering a shadow of doubt is merely an invitation to kindle an inner light. By trusting in the natural design of things, we allow ourselves to become vessels for inspiration, ensuring that the journey remains aligned with a higher purpose.***

To truly give this motivating philosophy the life it deserves, let us look at how fellow human beings have navigated their darkest hours by leaning into the support around them.

India's former President, the late A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, believed his world had collapsed after failing to secure a spot as a fighter pilot, finishing ninth for only eight available positions. Yet, he was merely being redirected through the timely wisdom of a sage in Rishikesh. This pivotal moment helped us realise that setbacks are often just course corrections towards a more significant calling. He became a beacon for the nation, proving that the loss of one dream often prepares the soul for a much grander reality — one where he didn't just fly planes but led the entire scientific progress of the country.

The legendary boxer, Mary Kom, encountered barriers that seemed shut by the heavy bricks of poverty and social restrictions. She had every reason to falter; however, she relied on the tools within and around her: an indefatigable spirit and the vital support of those who recognised her fire. Her story shows that origins do not define ultimate goals. By keeping the heart open despite facing resistance, we prove that trust in inner strength allows the necessary resources — stamina, grit and community — to manifest and aid the cause.

As we move forward, let us carry the honour of our convictions. This path is uniquely ours, yet we are never truly alone. The more we open ourselves to the possibilities in our vicinity, the more clearly we can recognise the guideposts placed along our way. By embracing this perspective, we begin to see that struggles are not punishments, but rather the very forge in which character is tempered.

By maintaining poise and optimising our outlook, we ensure that the collective future is not just a final stop but a masterpiece we are painting together. Once we stop questioning our self-belief, we finally gain that glimpse of the brilliant horizon that awaits us. Simply put, a closed door is often life's way of guiding us towards a more purposeful entrance. — *Ananthapadmanabhan in Deccan Herald*

NEWS SPARKLERS

This skyscraper is 250 mts above ground

Beijing: The Crystal is the world's largest and highest horizontal skyscraper, measuring 300 metres and sitting on top of four conventional skyscrapers, 250 metres above ground.

Located at the confluence of the Yangtze and Jialing rivers, one of the most densely populated areas in the bustling city of Chongqing, The Crystal is one of the most ambitious architectural projects ever undertaken, even by Chinese standards.

The iconic Marina Bay Sands is a symbol of Singapore, and Beijing's Link Hybrid is one of the most impressive buildings in the Chinese capital, but The Crystal is in a league of its own! It is the highest horizontal skyscraper and the one that connects the most vertical towers simultaneously.

Ads on rockets to boost revenues

Moscow: Roscosmos, the Russia's national space agency has started displaying commercial ads on its rockets to boost revenue. The cost is calculated using a special formula that takes into account the advertising area, the rocket's surface size, and the campaign duration.

A bill introduced in the Duma (Russia's Parliament) last year has allowed Roscosmos (the Russian Space Agency) to charge major brands for displaying their logos and custom slogans on rockets.

The agency has already completed its first advertising campaign for several national brands, including PSB Bank and Kofemaniya.

It is believed that the effect of these marketing efforts is not direct sales, but rather high-profile PR. The format is particularly attractive to major brands, as its exclusivity allows them to grab the attention of millions without worrying about the competition.

HEALTH CAPSULE

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By Dr. Amulya K G, - Consultant – Obstetrics & Gynaecology
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LIFE'S ON

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Elected as President of Karnataka Rangabhoomi Organisers Conference

Kadamba

Mysuru, May 21 (BS)- Mysuru's senior theatre artiste, actor, organiser and director Rajashekar Kadamba has been elected as the President of Karnataka Rangabhoomi Organisers Conference to be hosted by Karnataka Ranga Parishat in association with Kannada and Culture Department, on May 25 at Nayana Rangamandira in Bengaluru.

Actively involved in theatre for the past six decades, he has established the Kadamba Rangavedike and brought several plays, including *Durgastamana*, to the stage. He has participated in many plays as an actor and director besides conducting drama festivals, seminars and Rangothsava programmes every year. He has even acted in 50 films.

A native of Gottagere near Bannerghatta in Bengaluru, Kadamba found his calling in Mysuru, where he built his life. Even at the age of 82, he remains active.

A recipient of Natak Academy Award, Suvarna Karnataka Ranga Award and K.V. Shankar Gowda State Theatre Award, Karnataka Government honoured him with Rajyotsava Award in 2004 in recognition of his talent.

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Yesterday's level **86.26 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,254.16 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,823.51 feet**
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- ***Certain plants, like the lodgepole pine, require the heat from a fire to open their cones and release seeds.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Boss: *Why has Mike not come to work today?*
Colleague: *He is in the hospital.*
Boss: *But I saw him last night dancing with a girl.*
Colleague: *Yes sir, his wife saw him too!!*

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 96.30
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 129.41
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 26.22
1 Euro	= Rs. 111.97

VOICE OF THE READER

Cheluvamba Park in an awful state

Sir,

The Cheluvamba Park, opposite Akashvani and one of the oldest parks in the city, is in an awful condition. It is pathetic to see patches of the so-called lawns dried up, while the hedge plants along the pathways are either withered or missing in several places.

Hardly anybody is seen watering the plants regularly, and the water sprinklers installed years ago are not functioning. Surrounding the park are many trees as old as the park itself, with some dried-up branches. One will also be surprised to see well-grown fruit-bearing trees like jackfruit, besides Honge and Peepal trees, within the park.

Many elderly citizens, including some well past 80 and 90 years of age, are regular walkers here. Every weekend, the park turns into a picnic spot, with plastic cups and wrappers thrown around carelessly. It is also common to see many stray dogs both inside and outside the park.

There are two wide gates, one in the middle on the western side and another at the corner facing the 'Ta Ra Su' Circle. The latter remains permanently closed and serves only as a decorative piece. Repeated requests for a wicket gate here appear to have fallen on deaf ears.

The board carrying the name of the famous novelist has also completely faded.

Sticker posters have marred the beauty of the granite pillars at the gate. Walkers remain mute spectators to such blemishes, as several complaints have gone unaddressed. It is sad to note this step-motherly attitude towards a park that bears the name of the erstwhile Rajamatha of Mysore. One only hopes the authorities will wake up and take necessary measures.

—Grieving park users
Mysuru
18.5.2026

Ban orders around exam centres on May 24

Mysuru, May 21- With the UPSC scheduled to conduct the Civil Services (Preliminary) exam-2026 at 12 centres spread across the city on May 24, the City Police have enforced prohibitory orders in 200 mts. radius around all the exam centres on that day as a security measure.

Accordingly, barring the examinees and the exam staff, no other unauthorised person will be allowed entry to the centres. Also carrying of objectionable articles in the vicinity of the exam centres is strictly banned.

All photocopy shops, internet cafes and browsing centres nearby are ordered to shut down during exam hours.

The exam centres are: Maharani's College of Commerce and Management for Women, Valmiki Road; Maharani's Science College, JLB Road; Government PU College, M.G. Koppal; Devaraja Govt. PU College for Girls, Devaraja Mohalla; Government Adarsha Vidyalaya, Jockey Quarters; Maharaja PU College for Boys, JLB Road; Maharaja High School, JLB Road; Government PU College, Kuvempunagar; Government PU College for Girls, People's Park; Government Bifurcated Maharaja PU College, Nazarbad; Government PU College, Vontikoppal and Maharani's PU College for Girls, N.S. Road.

DC warns of drinking water crisis if monsoon delays

Mysuru records 85% rainfall deficit in April, 24% shortfall in May

Mysuru, May 21 (BCT)- With April and May recording a sharp rainfall deficit, Deputy Commissioner G. Lakshmikanth Reddy has warned of possible drinking water shortage if the monsoon is delayed further.

Chairing a meeting of the District Disaster Management Authority at D. Devaraj Urs Hall in the Zilla Panchayat Office yesterday, he directed officials to prepare contingency plans to protect drinking water supplies.

The DC said current reservoir levels are sufficient to meet drinking water requirements till July, but stressed the need for caution. "Water must be used sparingly from now on to ensure supplies do not run dry," he said.

Local bodies have been instructed to identify vulnerable areas and prepare lists of private borewells that can be used during emergencies. Officials were also told to respond promptly to public complaints, inspect problem areas without delay and resolve issues.

"Minor problems left unattended can quickly turn into major crises," he cautioned.

Deputy Commissioner G. Lakshmikanth Reddy chairing a meeting of District Disaster Management Authority at D. Devaraj Urs Hall, ZP Office yesterday as other officials look on.

Re-drilling existing borewells

The contingency plans include re-drilling existing borewells, sinking new borewells, arranging tanker supply and extending pipelines wherever necessary. Officials have been asked to regularly visit areas likely to face shortages and implement preventive measures in advance.

Joint Director of Agriculture K.H. Ravi informed that Mysuru district recorded an 85 percent rainfall deficit in April and a 24% shortfall so far in May. Tobacco sowing has covered nearly 38,000 hectares, mostly dependent on borewell irrigation.

He added that seed and fertiliser stocks are adequate, while contingency plans are being prepared to promote resilient crop varieties that can withstand delayed sowing if rains fail until September. Fertiliser distribution is being monitored through the Urea app and hectare-wise requirements have already been notified.

Zilla Panchayat CEO Ukesh Kumar, District Health Officer Dr. P.C. Kumaraswamy, Fire Officer Gururaj and Horticulture Deputy Director Manjunath Angadi were among those present.

15,000 teachers to be appointed

Bengaluru, May 21 (KMS&DM)- Chief Minister Siddaramaiah has instructed officials to initiate the process of appointment of 15,000 teachers for Primary and High Schools.

He was speaking at a progress review meeting of Department of School Education and Literacy here yesterday. Pointing out that it has been decided to recruit 15,000 teachers this year, he said the Finance Ministry will be sent a proposal in this regard.

The CM directed the officials to invite tenders at the earliest for establishment of 800 new Karnataka Public Schools (KPS) in the next two years.

"The Schools will begin the new academic year across the State on June 1 and a new KPS School will be launched at Shivamogga on that day. A total of 1,200 children will be given admission in every KPS School from Pre-primary to PUC. Free buses will be operated for bringing children from surrounding villages to KPS Schools," he said.

Minister for School Education Madhu Bangarappa said that guest teachers will be recruited at the beginning of the academic year itself to overcome teacher shortage. The Government has decided to fill up teacher vacancies in Government Primary and High Schools including those in Kalyana Karnataka region, he said adding that the Department will make efforts for convincing parents to admit their wards in Govt. Schools.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Power disruption

As Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited (KPTCL) has taken up its first quarterly maintenance works at 66/11 KV Maliyuru Power Distribution Centre, there will be disruption in power supply tomorrow between 10 am and 5 pm in the following areas: Heggur and Maliyuru villages and Gram Panchayat limits, according to a press release from CESC Executive Engineer, Nanjangud Division.

Workshop

Visvesvaraya Trade Promotion Centre (VTPC), Bengaluru, in association with District Industries Centre, Mysuru, has organised a 6-day training workshop on Export Management at Hotel President in city from July 13 to 18. Those interested can register at the VTPC, Mysuru Centre. For details, contact Mob: 94818-15035 or e-mail: *vtpcmysore@gmail.com*

Eye care camp

JSS Ayurveda Hospital, Lalithadripura Road, Alanahalli Mysuru, Department of PG Studies in Shalakya Tantra, is conducting Ayurveda eye check-up care summer camp from today (May 21) till May 28 at its premises. The camp will be open from 9.30 am to 4.30 pm. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2548231 or Mob: 78923-95602.

Ph.D awardees

Ajithkumara has been awarded Ph.D in Mathematics by the

University of Mysore (UoM), Mysuru, for his thesis 'A Study on some Topics in the Theory of Domination and Energy of Graphs' submitted under the guidance of Dr. Puttaswamy.

Riaz Ahmed has been awarded Ph.D in Social Work by the

University of Mysore (UoM), Mysuru for his thesis 'A Study on the Work Life Balance and Psychological Well-being of Special Educators in Karnataka' submitted under the guidance of Dr. H.P. Jyothi.

M.R. Sai Chakith has been awarded Ph.D in Life Sciences by

JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research (JSS AHER), Mysuru for his thesis 'Integrated in-vitro, in-vivo and Computational Validation of a Wrightia tinctoria-derived gold nanoparticle-based Cosmeceutical Serum for Psoriasis Management' [Guide: Dr. A.M. Satish]

Stray dog attacks trigger fear at SBM Colony

Mysuru, May 21 (SPN&BCT)- Residents of SBM Colony, 2nd Stage in Srirampura, Mysuru, are facing growing concern over a sharp rise in stray dog attacks over the past two weeks.

Milk vendors, newspaper delivery boys, children playing outdoors and pedestrians have reportedly been bitten or injured in separate incidents. Despite repeated appeals to the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) by the SBM Colony Cultural and Welfare Association, residents say the Mysuru City Corporation has failed to take effective action.

Association Member K.V. Ramanath told *SOM* that the Civic Body must immediately vaccinate stray dogs against rabies and take steps to ensure the safety of children, women and senior citizens.

A dog bite victim showing his injuries after taking treatment.

Several delivery boys have reportedly been chased and bitten while riding bicycles, resulting in accidents and injuries. Many are now hesitant to enter the locality to deliver newspapers and milk.

In one recent incident, a resident was bitten by a stray dog that later died while being taken by Corporation staff for vaccination. Three people, allegedly attacked by the same dog, were admitted to the hospital for treatment.

Animal welfare activists and pet lovers have also expressed concern over the issue. However, residents allege that officials have only offered assurances without taking concrete measures to address the problem. "No one is coming forward to resolve this menace," they said.

Woman allegedly assaulted with stone by doctor husband

Mysuru, May 21 (PM,BLU&KS)- A woman sustained serious head injuries after her husband allegedly assaulted her with a stone at Bogadi in city yesterday.

It is learnt that the man, a doctor by profession, reportedly assaulted his wife on her head with a large stone resulting in her sustaining serious head injuries and undergoing treatment in an ICU at a private hospital in city.

As the woman is unable to give her statements to the Police, the reason for her being assaulted is not known yet. Saraswathipuram Police said that the woman is undergoing severe pain due to the injuries and hence, she is unable to record her statements.

Meanwhile, sources in the private hospital said that the woman was out of danger and has no threats to her life. Police said that no complaint has been lodged in this regard.

Body found in park; suicide suspected

Mysuru, May 21 (PM&KS)- A body of a man suspected to have committed suicide was found in a park at K.C. Layout in city yesterday.

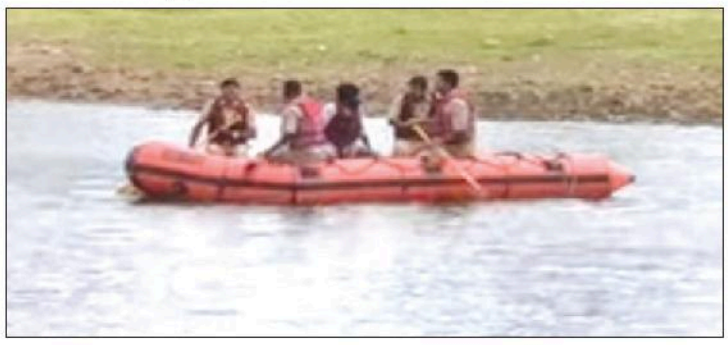
The deceased has been identified as Lokesh (45), a native of Chamarajanagar, who was residing at Janata Nagar in city.

Lokesh, who had got married 15 years ago, was residing in Mysuru along with his wife since 12 years.

The body has been shifted to MMC&RI mortuary for post-mortem and the exact cause for death will be known only after the Police receive the post-mortem report.

Based on the complaint from deceased Lokesh's brother, Nazarbad Police, who have registered a case, are investigating.

Bihar youth drowns in lake



Mysuru, May 21 (BLU&KS)- A youth from Bihar, who had gone fishing along with two others, was drowned in Chikkakere (Chikkere) at K. Hemmanahalli in the taluk yesterday.

The deceased youth is Amith Kumar (27), a native of Bihar, who was working at a poultry farm here.

Yesterday, Amith, along with two of his friends, went to Chikkakere to catch fish and all the three ventured into the lake. When they reached the middle of the lake, they realised that they would drown as they did not know how to swim and tried to come back but Amith began to drown. His two friends somehow swam back the shore while Amith drowned in the lake.

Villagers have captured videos of the two youths swimming and reaching the shore. Fire and Emergency Services personnel, who reached the lake, launched a search operation to trace and fish out the body of Amith but had to stop the search as it grew dark.

The search operation was again launched this morning and Amith's body was traced and fished out from the lake. The body was shifted to MMC&RI mortuary and Amith's family members have been informed about the tragedy.

Post-mortem will be conducted only after the arrival of Amith's family members and the body will be handed over to them.

A case has been registered at Jayapura Police Station.

Obituary

Sabira Khanum

Mysuru, May 21- Sabira Khanum (62), wife of Aslam Pasha and a resident of Bannimantap C-Layout, passed away following a heart attack in city this morning. He leaves behind one son, four daughters, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Namaz-e-Janaza will be held today at Tipu Masjid in Bannimantap 2nd Stage after Isha Salath prayers (8.30 pm), followed by the burial at the Muslim Burial Grounds near Tipu Circle.

K. Prem Kumar

K. Prem Kumar (63), Proprietor of Temptations Fast Food on Kalidasa Road and a resident of Vijayanagar 1st Stage, passed away yesterday in city. He leaves behind his wife, one son and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held at Chirashantidhama in Gokulam this afternoon.

S. Rajalakshmi

S. Rajalakshmi (92), wife of late Prabhashankar and a resident of Chamundipuram, passed away yesterday in city. She leaves behind one son, one daughter, daughter-in-law Vidushi Sharadamba, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at the foot of Chamundi Hill this morning, according to family sources.

A.J. Balanna

A.J. Balanna (58), brother of former Deputy Mayor A.J. Arjun Kumar, passed away yesterday in city. He leaves behind his wife, one son, one daughter and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held at his farm land in Nanjangud this morning.

Renukamma

Pandavapura: Renukamma (57), wife of late Rajanna and a resident of Kadatanalu village in Pandavapura taluk, passed away on Tuesday morning at the village. She leaves behind one son, one daughter, daughter-in-law, son-in-law, grandchildren and a host of relatives & friends. Last rites were held at the village on Tuesday.

Balasubramanya

Nanjangud: Balasubramanya (58), a contractor and a resident of Nanjangud Extension 15th Cross, passed away following brief illness at a hospital in Mysuru yesterday.

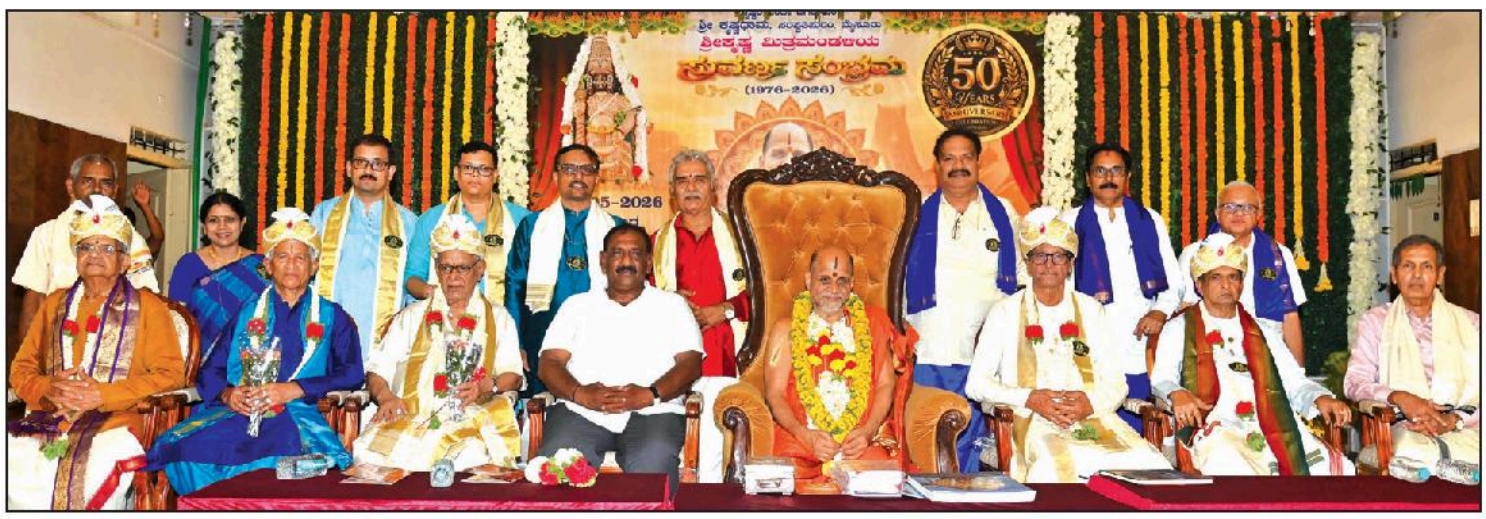
He leaves behind his wife Anitha, one son, one daughter and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at the family's farm land at Uppinahalli village in the taluk this morning, according to family sources.

Sri Krishna Mithra Mandali's Golden Jubilee celebrations conclude

'Name circle near Sri Krishnadhama after Vishwesha Theertha Swamiji'

Chamaraja MLA K. Harishgowda writes to Dist. Administration



Founder-Members of Sri Krishna Mithra Mandali — Krishnadas Puranik, Ananth Tantri, Ramakrishna Ballal, Balakrishna Acharya and S. Raghuram Bhat — who were felicitated at Sri Krishnadhama in Saraswathipuram yesterday, are seen with Udupi Puthige Mutt Seer Sri 1008 Sri Sugunendra Theertha Swamiji, MLA K. Harishgowda and others.

Mysuru, May 21 (PM&BS)- Chamaraja MLA K. Harishgowda, has said that he has written to the District Administration, to name the circle near Sri Krishnadhama in Saraswathipuram, after the previous pontiff of **Udupi Pejawar Mutt Seer Sri Vishwesha Theertha Swamiji.**

Addressing the gathering during the valedictory of three-day Golden Jubilee celebrations of Sri Krishna Mithra Mandali, organised in association with Sri Krishna Trust at the auditorium of Sri Krishnadhama in Saraswathipuram here yesterday evening, MLA Harishgowda said, he, along with Krishnaraja MLA T.S. Srivatsa, has written to the District Administration. The matter will be brought to the notice of the District Administration again.

It is a matter of extreme happiness that, Sri Krishna Mithra Mandali is completing 50 years of its existence. Sri Krishnadhama has been perpetually rendering various social services, said Harishgowda, recalling how he had personally witnessed the activities of Sri Krishnadhama, since he was a boy.

In his address, Udupi Puthige Mutt Seer Sri 1008 Sri Sugunendra Theertha Swamiji emphasised on having social services, overall thinking and sacrifice as the purpose of life, which reduces internal conflicts and establishes peace in the society.

"As the man ages, he suffers from ailments, but as the organisations age, it indicates their strength. For an organisation to celebrate its Golden Jubilee, the main reason is discipline. When a new office-bearer is elected, the sense of sacrifice should prevail over other reasons, which doesn't lead to disgruntlement. Hence, at Sri Krishna Mithra Mandali, even after 50 years of its existence, the office-bearers have been unanimously elected, without conducting election," the Seer said.

The Seer regretted over lack of unity among Brahmins, but appreciated the activities being conducted to bring the community under one roof, which is largely essential to save Satvik tradition practiced by Brahmins.

Earlier, Founder-Members of Sri Krishna Mithra Mandali Krishnadas Puranik, Ananth Tantri, Ramakrishna Ballal, Balakrishna Acharya and S. Raghuram Bhat were felicitated.

Noted flautist Praveen Godkhindi and troupe presented 'Ragasudhe' concert.

President of Sri Krishna Mithra Mandali N. Gopalakrishnan, Vice-President Srivatsa Rao, Hon. Secretary P.G. Guruprasad, Sri Krishna Trust Vice-President Ravi Shastri, P.S. Shekar, Secretary K.V. Sridha and others were present during the valedictory programme.

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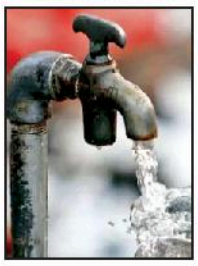

Mysuru, May 21- As Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC) has been carrying electric pole replacement works at 11 KV power lines route (Melapura Water Pumping Station), there will be disruption in water supply tomorrow (May 22) between 10 am and 6 pm in the following areas coming under MCC Ward numbers 9 to16, 28 to 39, 52 and 53:

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Inspiring words of nurses aid in curing patients: Dr. K.S. Sadanand

Dr. Sadanand

Mysuru, May 21 (MK&BS)- Dr. K.S. Sadanand, Medical Superintendent of Jayadeva Hospital, KRS Road in city has said, along with medicine, the interaction of doctors and nurses with patients, that boosts their confidence level, will be helpful in curing the patients.

He was speaking after inaugurating International Nurses Day celebrations, organised by BGS International Foundation for Health Sciences, at BGS Samskritika Bhavan, Adichunchanagiri Mutt, Mysuru Branch premises at Hebbal in city yesterday.

It is easier to cure the ailments, if the doctors and nurses succeed in understanding the mindset of the patients, said Dr. Sadanand.

Describing nurses as the backbone of hospitals, Dr. Sadanand said, the contribution of all the nurses in keeping the society healthy is indeed unique.

Like the words of Mother Teresa 'To see God in every patient', the life of nurses is truly worthy, as they don various hats in treating the patients, as a health educator and counsellor.

The younger generation should take a lead in keeping the professional dignity, by winning the trust of patients, with patience and love, he said.

Following achievers in the field of nursing were felicitated; Retired Principals Dr. Shylaja Kripanidhi, Dr. V.C. Gracy and D.N. Renukadevi and Superintendent of General Hospital, Srirangapatna Rudrappa.

Adichunchanagiri Mutt Mysuru Branch Seer Sri Someshwaranatha Swamiji and Medical Superintendent of Apollo BGS Hospitals, Mysuru, Aman Nayak were present.

ACCE(I) Mysuru's Silver Jubilee celebrations

N. Rama Mohan

Mysuru, May 21- The Mysuru Centre of the Association of Consulting Engineers (India), inaugurated in 2001, will celebrate its Silver Jubilee on May 27 at Hotel North Avenue in Hebbal from **10 am to 1.30 pm.**

The programme will feature a recap of the glorious journey of the Centre, highlighting the activities and events conducted over the past 25 years.

Founder-Members and former Chairmen of the Centre will be felicitated on the occasion in recognition of their valuable contributions. To commemorate the Silver Jubilee celebrations, a souvenir, edited by Dr. G.P. Chandradhara, will also be released.

N. Rama Mohan, an alumnus of SJCE, Outstanding Scientist and former Executive Director (Engineering - Light Water Reactors) of Nuclear Power Corporation of India Ltd. (NPCIL), Mumbai, will be the chief guest. S.B. Basavaraj, Chairman of ACCE(I) Mysuru, will preside.

The same day, **ACCE(I) National Awards and Foundation Day will be hosted at the same venue from 3 pm to 9 pm.** During the function, the Headquarters of ACCE(I) will present several awards, instituted through contributions from donors, recognising excellence and exemplary contributions made by outstanding Civil Engineering Consultants, Organisations and Students.

Dr. Sri Nirmalanandanatha Swamiji, President, Sri Adichunchanagiri Shikshana Trust, will grace the occasion. Rajendra Kalbavi Rao, National President of ACCE(I), will preside. Kashiram Adepu, Secretary-General, Zonal Vice-Presidents and other office-bearers of the headquarters, will be present.

Saving Dr. Radhakrishnan Centre

UoM seeks urgent heritage intervention to prepare DPR

Bengaluru-based PES Group comes forward to fund restoration again

Mysuru, May 21 (BLU&BCT)- The University of Mysore (UoM) has sought immediate intervention from the Department of Archaeology, Museums and Heritage to save the historic Dr. S. Radhakrishnan Centre for Philosophy and Indian Culture at Saraswathipuram after a portion of the heritage bungalow collapsed recently.

In a letter addressed to the Commissioner of the Department, the University has requested a joint site inspection by heritage officials to expedite structural assessment, preparation of a Detailed Project Report (DPR) and administrative approvals for urgent restoration works.

The development comes in the wake of a report published in *Star of Mysore* dated May 17 titled *'UoM locks crumbling Dr. Radhakrishnan Centre'* which highlighted the deteriorating condition of the bungalow.

Following the report, University Registrar M.K. Savitha visited the premises on May 19 and assured that the institution had not neglected the heritage structure and would initiate restoration measures at the earliest.

According to the Registrar's letter, a significant portion of the ceiling in a first-floor room on the left side of the bungalow has caved in, while nearby walls are also on the verge of collapse. The structure has reportedly become highly dilapidated and unsafe. The University has locked the premises ahead of the monsoon.

The building of Dr. S. Radhakrishnan Centre for Philosophy and Indian Culture at Saraswathipuram.

MP visits

Following the collapse, Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar, heritage expert and retired professor Prof. N.S. Rangaraju and UoM Vice-Chancellor Prof. N.K. Lokanath visited the building.

The property had earlier undergone a major restoration around 2012 after former Bengaluru MLC and founder-President of PES Educational Institutions Prof. M.R. Doreswamy contributed Rs. 78 lakh for its conservation works.

However, years of inadequate maintenance coupled with heavy rains have once again pushed the iconic structure into a fragile state.

PES comes forward again

Meanwhile, PES Group has come forward to fully fund and execute the restoration of the bungalow. As part of the initiative, professors from the institution conducted an independent inspection and formally offered to undertake the repairs under their corporate and institutional social responsibility programme.

Apart from carrying out restoration work, PES has also offered to maintain the heritage property for the next five years. The University expressed gratitude for the gesture and has also granted clearance for the restoration work to begin immediately, subject to heritage conservation norms.

BEML seeks nod to cut 137 trees

Forest Department invites public objections by May 25

Mysuru, May 21 (BCT)- Bharat Earth Movers Limited (BEML) has sought permission from the Forest Department to fell 137 trees for the construction of an 'Industrial Health Centre' within its premises at Koorgalli village in Yelwal Hobli of Mysuru taluk.

The trees identified for removal fall under Survey Nos. 10, 17, 20, 28, 29, 35, 41, 184, 226, 14, 21, 30, 31, 32, 51, 163, 165, 168, 169, 219, 222 and 230/1.

According to the proposal, the trees include 47 teak, 13 acacia, 10 mahogany, 50 wild varieties, 9 peltophorum, 6 silver oak, one orchid tree and one honge tree.

As per the Karnataka Tree Preservation Act, the Tree Officer and Range Forest Officer of the Mysuru Regional Circle have invited objections or representations from the public regarding the proposed tree felling.

Citizens can submit their objections or suggestions before 5.30 pm on May 25 either by post to the Tree Officer and Range Forest Officer, Forest Bhavan, Ashokapuram, Mysuru - 570008, or through e-mail: *rfomyspublichearing@gmail.com*

Former Director alleges irregularities in Mysore Co-operative Bank

Mysuru, May 21 (GA&DM)- Pailwan Chikkaputti, former Director of Mysore Co-operative Bank, has alleged rampant irregularities in the Bank.

Addressing a press meet recently, Chikkaputti said he was a member of the Bank for 35 years and served as its Director and Vice-President from 2005 to 2020. Maintaining that he knows all the goings in the Bank, Chikkaputti said he had raised the issue of irregularities and other violation of rules in the Bank after his exit as Vice-President during the Bank's AGM, for which he did not get replies.

Charging the Bank authorities of appointing staff unnecessarily and in excess, he said that there was nepotism in the appointment and roster norms were not followed. Stating that he had filed a petition in the Court regarding flouting of recruitment norms, he said he had also filed a case regarding loss of Rs.18 lakh to the Bank by In-charge Secretary and the Board of Directors in 2024.

Panachee's Fashion & Lifestyle Expo begins

Namrata Shenoy, MD, Diya Groups, inaugurating the Panachee Fashion & Lifestyle Exhibition-cum-Sale (Festive Edit) at Hotel Southern Star in city this morning in the presence of Organisers Sahanaa Sumanth and Sindu Vikram. The expo-cum-sale will be open today and tomorrow between 10.30 am and 8 pm.

Malabar unveils *Aanika*, a Divine Natural Diamond Collections

Mysuru, May 21- Malabar Gold & Diamonds, located near Sub-Urban Bus Stand, B.N. Road, Mysuru, unveiled 'Aanika,' a Divine Natural Diamond Collections in the presence of their guests Brunda, Damini and Divyashree and also Deputy Store Head Dayanand & Assistant Store Head Muhammed Anshaj. Management Team Members were also present at the event.

Aanika draws inspiration from temple architecture, sacred geometry, and intricate carvings, bringing to life Divine Stories, crafted in Natural Diamonds, the very essence of the collection. Age-old motifs are transformed into refined, contemporary designs, where arches, spires and ornamental patterns are reimagined into fluid silhouettes. Each creation is illuminated by ethically sourced natural diamonds, reflecting individuality, brilliance and enduring value.

From statement necklaces echoing temple silhouettes to intricately detailed earrings inspired by ancient artistry, every creation showcases exceptional craftsmanship. Heritage kadas and rhythmic bangles extend the narrative, offering versatile designs that transition seamlessly from festive occasions to modern-day elegance all anchored in the timeless allure of natural diamonds.

M.P. Ahammed, Chairman, Malabar Group, said, "*Aanika* reflects our commitment to preserving heritage while evolving with the aspirations of today's consumers. With a strong focus on natural diamonds, the collection embodies rarity, authenticity and craftsmanship, creating jewellery that resonates deeply with both tradition and contemporary sensibilities."

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Reinforcing its commitment to responsible business, Malabar Gold & Diamonds dedicates 5% of profits to ESG initiatives spanning education, healthcare, women's empowerment, environmental sustainability and community welfare.

Dubare Elephant Camp shut till SOP implementation

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Forest Minister Eshwar Khandre has already directed that a minimum 100-foot safety distance be maintained between tourists and elephants at all camps. Activities such as bathing elephants, feeding them and posing for photographs with them are expected to be permanently discontinued.

Officials said, the scale of the proposed structural and operational changes would require more than two weeks for implementation at Dubare. While Mathigodu and Harangi elephant camps continue to remain open, Dubare will stay shut until the Forest Department is fully satisfied with the revised safety measures.

Kanjan isolated

Meanwhile, tusker Kanjan has been placed under strict isolation and constant monitoring. The elephant has been secured with a double-chain system near his Mahout's residential quarters inside the camp.

Forest staff have also altered Kanjan's daily routine as a precautionary measure. He is no longer being taken along common routes or to shared bathing areas used by other elephants. Instead, he is escorted through a separate route only for drinking water before being brought back to his designated enclosure.

For now, the Department has decided not to confine Kanjan inside a 'kraal' (a heavy wooden confinement cage). However, the tusker has been barred from participating in camp activities, elephant capture operations and combing duties.

Over 10 people injured as car-autorickshaw collide head-on

Auto completely destroyed; injured admitted to K.R. Hospital in Mysuru

T. Narasipur, May 21 (KS)- Over ten persons sustained serious injuries when a passenger auto and a car collided head-on near Chowhalli village in the taluk yesterday.

Among those injured are Ningashetty, Maniyamma, Puttathayamma, Ravi, Nagaraju, Sampath, Jeevitha, Shreya, Mangala and Kruthika. They have been admitted to K.R. Hospital in Mysuru. They were travelling from T. Narasipur to Talakad when the accident took place. Due to the impact, the auto was thrown to the roadside injuring more than 10 persons in it. Chowhalli residents and passersby rushed to help in shifting the injured to K.R. Hospital in Mysuru, while the condition of a few injured, is said to be critical.

T. Narasipur Police, who reached the spot, conducted an inspection, seized both the vehicles involved in the accident. The car driver is said to have fled from the spot soon after the accident.

T, Narasipur Police who have registered a case, are on the look out for the car driver.

RTI activist booked for attempt to murder

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What led to the dispute?

The dispute between Gangaraju and Dhananjaya is linked to the controversial 50:50 site allotment scheme of the erstwhile Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA), under which land losers were entitled to receive alternative sites.

According to sources, Dhananjaya had handed over a certain amount of money through Gangaraju to another person for the purchase of a site under the scheme.

However, before the site registration could be completed, the MUDA 50:50 site allotment scam surfaced and the Government revoked further allotments under the scheme. Later, following the unearthing of a huge site allotment scandal worth thousands of crores of rupees, the Government rebranded MUDA as Mysuru Development Authority (MDA).

Since then, Dhananjaya had allegedly been demanding the return of his money from Gangaraju.

Drama near Sub-Registrar's Office

The incident reportedly took place around 4 pm yesterday near the Sub-Registrar's Office at the MUDA complex in Ramakrishnanagar, where Dhananjaya allegedly confronted Gangaraju and demanded his money back.

Police sources said, Gangaraju, who allegedly lost his temper during the argument, told Dhananjaya to approach the person who had received the money.

As Gangaraju walked towards his Maruti Baleno car (KA-09-MD-5058), Dhananjaya reportedly attempted to block the vehicle from moving.

What followed created a dramatic scene on the busy road. Gangaraju allegedly drove the car forward after hitting Dhananjaya, who fell onto the bonnet and held on to the wipers to avoid falling.

A video recorded by passers-by showed the car moving at speed while Dhananjaya clung to the bonnet as the vehicle navigated curves before finally stopping near Kuvempunagar Police Station.

After the car halted, Dhananjaya fell off the bonnet and rushed into the Police Station to lodge a complaint. Gangaraju allegedly fled the spot in his vehicle.

Counter-allegation

Police later picked up Gangaraju from his residence and brought him to Kuvempunagar Police Station, where arrest formalities were completed in the wee hours. He is likely to be produced before a Court this afternoon.

The incident triggered outrage among local traders and residents. "Such incidents are happening in broad daylight on one of the city's busiest roads. It appears there is no fear of the law anymore," they said.

Meanwhile, speaking to *Star of Mysore* yesterday, Gangaraju alleged that he had been attacked by Dhananjaya and four others and that he drove to the Police Station fearing for his life. However, Police sources said, no complaint had been filed by Gangaraju even several hours after the incident.

Audio clip leaked by Gangaraju triggered spat between officers

Mysuru, May 21 (BS)- It may be mentioned that in 2023, when IAS officer Rohini Sindhuri was serving as the Deputy Commissioner of Mysuru, it was the same RTI activist N. Gangaraju who had released an audio clip of a 25-minute phone conversation he reportedly had with IPS officer D. Roopa, currently serving as ADGP, Bengaluru Metropolitan Task Force (BMTF).

In the purported audio clip, Roopa had alleged that Sindhuri, now Secretary, Department of Commerce and Industries, Bengaluru, had sought property and land records data from her husband, IAS officer Munish Moudgil, to support her family's real estate and business ventures. This audio clip had sparked a spat between the top women officers.

Munish Moudgil was earlier serving as the Commissioner of Survey Settlement and Land Records, Bengaluru and is currently serving as Special Commissioner (Revenue and IT), Greater Bengaluru Authority.

Gangaraju had come into the limelight after filing Police complaints against several political leaders, including Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, former Minister S.R. Mahesh and other prominent politicians, particularly from Mysuru district.

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DECODING MYTHOLOGY

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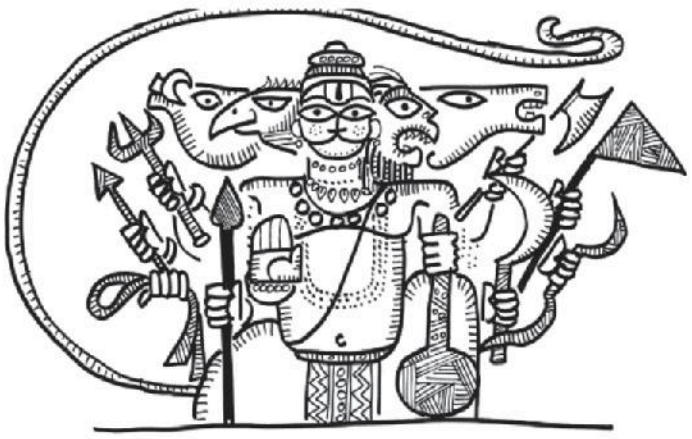
When Hanuman took initiative

There are two forms of Hanuman. In one he sits at the feet of Ram, an obedient assistant. This is Ram-dasa Hanuman. In the other, he stands alone, displaying ten hands and four extra heads: that of a lion, an eagle, a wild boar and a horse. This is Maha-bali Hanuman. The former indicates submission to authority. The perfect follower. The one who is reactive. The latter indicates the embodiment of authority. The powerful leader. The one who is proactive.

This transformation of Hanuman is described not in the classical Sanskrit Valmiki Ramayana but in the later folk Ramayanas, after 1200 AD. The former form helps Ram rescue Sita from Ravana of Lanka. The latter form rescues Ram himself from an even deadlier Ravana of Patala, the subterranean realm of magic and occult.

In the earliest layers of the Ramayana, Hanuman is the ideal servant. Strong, loyal, obedient and wise. He serves Sugriva, the king of the monkeys (vanara), as well as Sugriva's ally, Ram. The journey that makes Hanuman, the follower into Hanuman, the leader, begins with a rebuke, long before the famous quest for the life-restoring Sanjivani herb.



As a young vanara, Hanuman leaps into the sky to catch the sun, mistaking it for a fruit. The gods panic and strike him. Later, Hanuman turns the sun into his teacher and becomes wiser. He serves his leaders and does what he is told to do. As instructed, he manages to locate Sita on the island of Lanka where she is kept captive by the demon-king Ravana. However, in his enthusiasm to impress Ram, Hanuman burns Lanka when his mission is simply to deliver Ram's signet ring to Sita, to assure her that rescue is on the way.

Ram gently rebukes him for this initiative. Why hurt the people of Lanka for a crime of their king? Those words — only do as you are told — wound Hanuman deeper than any weapon. From then on, Hanuman waits for instructions. This is the tragedy of many workplaces: a single reprimand kills initiative for years.

Later, during the war, when Lakshman falls unconscious, Ram asks Hanuman to fetch the Sanjivani. "Give him complete instructions," says the bear Jambavan. "He has stopped taking initiative ever since you rebuked him. He will find the herb and await further instructions. Please tell him to find the herb and bring it back. Obedient people need detailed instructions. When you demand compliance you lose initiative."

Jambavan's insight reveals a truth leaders often ignore: over-control creates dependence. When people fear mistakes, they stop thinking. Ram realises how, without meaning to, he had stopped Hanuman from growing.

So a new chapter is added to Ramayana — Patal Ramayan, where Ram himself is abducted by Mahi-Ravana, ruler of the subterranean realm, a great sorcerer. With Ram not around, who will give Hanuman instructions? Hanuman has no choice but to take initiative. After many adventures, he rescues Ram and Lakshman and brings them back to earth. In the process he sprouts four extra heads.

A monkey, he now has heads of a lion, an eagle, a wild boar and a horse. This form, called Panchamukhi Hanuman, symbolises leadership evolution. Under pressure, he discovers qualities he never knew he possessed. He is more than a monkey, more than Ram-dasa, more than a follower. He becomes a god in his own right.

God, in Hindu mythology, refers to an autonomous independent being who is capable of helping, one who is not dependent on others for survival. It is different from the God of monotheistic faiths. Hanuman, who originated as a yaksha, a dependent being, now becomes devata, a dependable being, invoked to solve problems.

This is what real organisations need. Obedient employees maintain systems. But leaders emerge only when people are allowed to enter unknown territory, make decisions, confront failure and evolve. Initiative is born when fear is removed. Growth happens when faith replaces control.

Hanuman's story also teaches feedback. When he once returned after solving a crisis, Ram did not appreciate him. That moment stayed with him. Leaders often underestimate the emotional impact of recognition. Appreciation is not flattery; it is nourishment. Without it, talent shrinks. With it, talent expands. In modern terms, Hanuman stands for potential. Every person has a sleeping giant inside. But giants awaken only when given space, trust and responsibility. A culture that punishes initiative will produce dependent clerks. A culture that encourages initiative will produce dependable gods.

Every leader needs to ask: am I creating more Maha-balis, or am I content with Ram-dasa? Can I be a Ram if I do not enable transformation and growth in people around me?

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Interest in Sanskrit, Vedic studies rising in Mysuru: MLA

Sri Satyatma Theertha Swamiji of Uttaradi Mutt lighting the lamp to inaugurate 'Adhika Jyeshta Masotsava' at Kashi Vishwanatha Swamy Temple in city recently as MLA T.S. Srivatsa, former MLC G. Madhusudhan and others look on. Picture right shows a section of the Sanskrit and Vedic scholars.

Mysuru, May 21 (VVH&DM)- MLA T. S. Srivatsa has said that interest in learning Sanskrit, Vedic studies and Agamic traditions is steadily increasing in Mysuru.

He was speaking at the 33-day *'Adhika Jyeshta Masotsava'* organised in connection with *Adhika Jyeshta Masa* at Kashi Vishwanatha Swamy Temple in Agrahara recently.

Sri Satyatma Theertha Swamiji of Uttaradi Mutt graced the occasion. He is in Mysuru presiding over *Digvijaya - Adhikamasotsava* (spiritual and religious event) from May 17 to June 15.

Stressing that parental support for children learning Vedas is crucial for survival of *Sanatana Dharma,* MLA Srivatsa underlined the need to create greater awareness among Hindus about the importance of *Sanatana Dharma* and called upon them to unite for the cause.

Pointing out that *Adhika Masa* is an ideal period for cleansing the mind of negativity, he appealed people to utilise the sacred period for good deeds and meaningful activities.

Former MLC G. Madhusudhan urged Indians to resist religious attacks on the country. Expressing concern that people still carry a submissive mindset even after nearly 80 years of Independence, he said it was encouraging to see Mutts and religious institutions actively working towards the rejuvenation of Hindu traditions and values. Shashi Acharya and Manager Pandit Anirudhacharya were present.

Taruna Bharathi: Vocal concerts at Ganabharathi tomorrow

Anagha

Keerthana

Srivatsa

Sumukhashesha

Mysuru, May 21- As part of Taruna Bharathi programme, Ganabharathi has organised two vocal recitals by young and promising artistes of Mysuru at Veene Seshanna Bhavana in Kuvempunagar tomorrow (May 22) as follows:

6 pm to 7.15 pm: Anagha Bharadwaj; **7.15 pm to 8.30 pm:** M.S. Keerthana. Both the events will be accompanied by **H. Srivatsa** on violin and **M.C. Sumukhashesha** on mridanga.

Artistes' Profile

Anagha Bharadwaj, who hails from Srirangapatna, practiced music and veena under her mother, Aruna Prasadachar and currently, she is continuing her learning under Vidu. Meera Manjunath. She is currently undergoing training for Vidwat (proficiency) examination in music.

M.S. Keerthana is the talented daughter of the renowned mridanga artiste Vid. H.L. Shivashankar Swamy and M.V. Mamatha. She has trained in vocal music under Vidu. R.N. Sreelatha and in dance under Vidu. Kripa Phadke, securing first rank in the Vidwat examination in both disciplines.

She has also learnt the art of Gamaka and mridanga playing. Currently, she is working as a Software Engineer.

H. Srivatsa, son of T.R. Harish and Poornima Harish, began his training in Karnatak vocal classical music under Vidu. R. Tara and completed Junior Vocal Examination and Senior level music with excellent results.

Later, developing a keen interest in violin, he started his training under Guru *Ganakalabhushana* Vid. H. K. Narasimhamurthy. He is working at Infosys, Bengaluru and has been actively performing violin concerts for the past two years.

M.C. Sumukhashesha, son of K.S. Chandrashekhar and S. Mahalakshmi, developed a deep inclination toward music at a very young age. Noticing his interest, his parents enrolled him in Ganabharathi Music School.

Sumukha began learning music and mridanga at the tender age of nine. He started his vocal training under Vidu. Vasanthalakshmi and mridanga under Vid. V.S. Ramesh. Later, he continued his Senior-level music under Vidu. Bhagyalakshmi.

Sumukha passed both Junior and Senior exams with distinction and pursued 'Vidwat' lessons in vocal music under the guidance of Vid. Bellary M. Raghavendra.

Currently, Sumukhashesha is continuing his training under the celebrated guru, *Sangeetha Kalanidhi* Vid. Thiruvarur Bakthavathsalam.

A graduate in Computer Science and Engineering, Sumukha is currently pursuing his MS and Ph.D at IIT Chennai.

Sandal Urus Shariff of Hazarath Tipu Sultan held in city

MLA Tanveer Sait taking part in the Annual Sandal Urus Shariff of Hazarath Tipu Sultan Shaheed at Meelad Park on Ashoka Road in city recently as others look on. Picture right shows Hazarath Tipu Sultan Shaheed Urus and Welfare Committee Secretary Afroz Pasha being felicitated by Mysore District Waqf Board Advisory Committee President Azeez Ulla Ajju.

Mysuru, May 21 (KS)- The 234th Annual Sandal Urus Shariff of Hazarath Tipu Sultan Shaheed, organised by Mysore City (District) Hazarath Tipu Sultan Shaheed Urus and Welfare Committee at Lashkar Mohalla was held at Meelad Bagh on Ashoka Road in city recently.

The event was held under the supervision of Sir Khazi of Mysuru Hazarath Moulana Mohammed Usman Shariff and under the Presidentship of MLA Tanveer Sait. Mysore District Waqf Board Advisory Committee President Azeez Ulla Ajju was the chief guest.

The programme began with the recital of verses from the Holy Quran by Imam of Masjid-e-Azam Hazarath Hafiz Mohd. Salman Khadree.

Khazi of Edhara Shariya Masjid Azam Hazarath Moulana Mufti Shamshul Huda Samadi and Imam of Masjid Aqsa Hazarath Moulana Mohd. Inayathur Rehaman Razvi spoke on the life and regime of Tipu Sultan.

Hazarath Tipu Sultan Shaheed Urus & Welfare Committee Secretary Afroz Pasha presented memento, Tipu Shawl and garland to Ulmas and chief guest. Spokesperson of DCC Minority Department Mirza Jamsheed Baig Ashrafi anchored the programme.

Fukras Jamath, Moshayiqin, Sufizam persons, M.F. Jamsheed, Majeed Ahmed, Afroz Khan Addru, Mohd. Khaleel-ur-Rehaman, Majeed Toufiq Khan, Syed Farooq, M.F. Kaleem, Hazarath Dr. Mohammed Arif Warsi, former Corporator Naseeruddin Babu, Radiulla Khan, Khwaja Mohammed Musheer Chishti, leaders and devotees were present.

Later, MLA Tanveer Sait planted coconut saplings inside Meelad Park. Sir Khazi Hazarath Mohammed Usman Shariff of Mysore read Duwa. Afroz Pasha proposed a vote of thanks.

MLA Tanveer Sait carried the Sandal vessel in the procession which passed through Ashoka Road to reach Tipu Circle.

Dr. Rajkumar musical event and Nalwadi Award presentation

Mysuru, May 21 (GA&DM)- Marking the birth anniversary of thespian late Dr. Rajkumar, the city's Ravisanthu Balaga will present Dr. Rajkumar musical event at Town Hall in the city at 11 am on May 23, during which Nalwadi Award will also be conferred on achievers from different fields.

Announcing this at a press meet here yesterday, Ravisanthu, Founder of the Balaga, said that the musical programme titled 'Geetha Namana' will take place from 11 am to 5 pm, during which a number of singers will render songs from Dr. Rajkumar films.

Later, 41 achievers from different fields will be conferred with Nalwadi Award on the occasion.

MLA T.S. Srivatsa, former MUDA Chairman H.V. Rajeev, actor Abhijith and others will be the chief guests, he added.

Balaga members Anubhavi, Sinchana, Ravi, Kiran, Srinivas, Sudhakar, Chandan, Padma and Veena were present at the press meet.

Three-day Kumbabhisheka at Sri Yoganarasimhaswamy temple

Mysuru, May 21- A three-day 'Kumbabhisheka Mahotsava' will take place at the famed Sri Yoganarasimhaswamy temple in Vijayanagar from May 25 to 27.

On May 25, the rituals will begin with Abhisheka and Laksharchane at 9 am, followed by Lalitha Sahasranama Parayana by women's associations.

On May 26, the rituals will begin with Sahasra Kalashabhisheka at 9 am, followed by Soundarya Lahari Parayana by women's associations.

On May 27, the rituals will begin with Akhanda Mahasudarshana Homa and Vishnu Sahasranama Parayana at 9 am, followed by Purnahuti at 12 noon and mass feeding (Anna Santarpane) at 12.30 pm.

Basava Jayanti 'Basava Ratna' Award Presentation Ceremony

Premkumar

Parashivamurthy

Sundar Raj

Sachidananda

Murali

Sudha

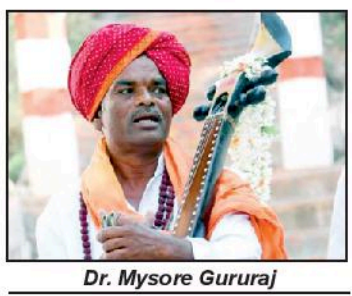
Mysuru, May 21- Mysuru Sharana Mandali, in association with Sri Nataraja Pratishtana, has organised Basava Jayanti 'Basava Ratna' Award Presentation Ceremony at Sri Nataraja auditorium, Sri Hosmutt, on May 23 at 10.30 am.

Dr. Sri Siddalingashivacharya Swamiji of Suryasimhasana Mutt, Vatal Mutt, will grace the occasion. K.H. Muniyappa, Minister for Food and Civil Supplies, will inaugurate the programme.

Dr. Helavarahundi Siddappa, President, District Sharana Sahitya Parishat, will preside. Dr. D. Thimmaiah, MLC, Maddikere Gopal, President, District Kannada Sahitya Parishat and Prof. S. Shivarajappa, Special Officer, Sri Nataraja Pratishtana, Mysuru, will be the chief guests.

On the occasion, 'Basava Ratna' Award will be conferred on H.N. Premkumar, senior political leader and a social worker; D.V. Parashivamurthy, Vice-Chancellor, Hampi Kannada University; K.S. Sundar Raj, DCP (Crime & Traffic), Mysuru; Sardar N. Sachidananda Murthy, President of DAV School; Dr. S. Murali, Founder-President of Maharaja Education Trust (MET); Sudha Mruthyunjayappa, Managing Trustee of Dr. C.N. Mruthyunjayappa Trust and a social worker.

Folklore award for Dr. Mysore Gururaj


Dr. Mysore Gururaj

Chamarajanagar, May 21- Karnataka Janapada Academy member and famed 'Neelagar' artiste Dr. Mysore Gururaj has been selected for the prestigious 'Prabhudevaraje Urs Paranjyothi' folklore award-2026 given by Chamarajanagar District Unit of Karnataka Janapada Parishat.

The award carries a cash prize of Rs.5,000 and a citation.

Dr. Mysore Gururaj will be conferred the award at a programme organised by Bengaluru's Karnataka Janapada Parishat in association with its Chamarajanagar District Unit and Chamarajanagar District Journalists Association during the Chamarajanagar District Janapada Utsava-2026 to take place at Dr. Rajkumar Jilla Rangamandira in Chamarajanagar at 10.30 am on May 24.

WORD OF THE DAY

Demeanour

Pronunciation: dih-MEE-ner (Noun)
Meaning: Demeanour refers to someone's outward manner and behaviour toward others.
Origin: The history of demeanour begins with a threat: the word has its roots in Latin minārī, meaning "to threaten." A form of that word was used in contexts having to do with driving animals — that is, impelling them to move — and from this word came more recent French ancestors having to do with leading, guiding and behaving. By the 14th century, English had adopted a word out of this lineage: the verb demean meaning "to conduct or behave (oneself) usually in a proper manner." (Another demean, defined as "to lower in character, status, or reputation," entered the language later by way of the mean that has to do with being cruel.) The noun demeanour was formed in the following century through the addition of the suffix -or.
Example: "At home, your demeanour impacts your family more than you realize. Your kids feed off your energy. If you're engaged, positive and present, they feel it." —Brandon Brigman, The Rockdale Citizen (Conyers, Georgia), 30 Mar. 2026.

THE ODD WORD

Dactylography

The study of fingerprints.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Going Postal

Meaning: 'Going Postal' means to become extremely angry, often to point of rage and violence, especially when provoked in a workplace setting.
Origin: The origin of the phrase derives from a series of incidents involving U.S. Postal workers, who shot and killed fellow workers and members of the public in 1986. The first recorded use was in an article by Karl Vick's 'Violence at work tied to loss of esteem', published on December 17th 1993 in the St. Petersburg Times: "The symposium was sponsored by the U.S. Postal Service, which has been so many outbursts that in some circles excessive stress is known as 'going postal'..."
Example: "Did you hear that Mark went postal yesterday at the office, after his manager told him that Jane's getting the promotion he was promised."

QUOTE BOX

When someone shows you who they are, believe them the first time.

—Maya Angelou

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

lang4uage

Answer: Foreign language.

SUDOKU

			4	8		1		
8	3					6		
		9			3			
9					2		7	
2	6						3	5
	7		9					8
			2			7		
		2					5	4
		1		7	8			

Answer to previous puzzle

3	6	5	4	7	9	2	8	1
1	9	8	3	2	5	4	7	6
2	4	7	6	8	1	9	5	3
7	1	4	2	6	8	3	9	5
8	2	9	5	3	4	6	1	7
6	5	3	1	9	7	8	2	4
9	8	6	7	1	3	5	4	2
4	7	2	8	5	6	1	3	9
5	3	1	9	4	2	7	6	8

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

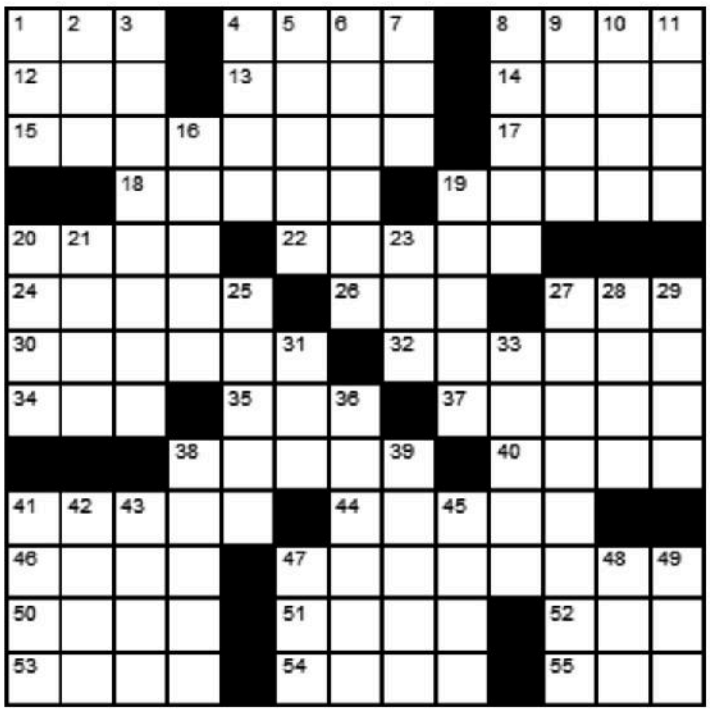
1 N. Indian Caste
4 Tempo
8 Ballet bend - "pile" anagram?
12 Yes for the Frenchman
13 Number one personality
14 Stainless steel never should do so
15 Brinjal
17 Clay water jar
18 Quite content
19 Reigns or governs
20 Showily pretentious
22 Drank to excess
24 Cut grass
26 ___ Sarovar : bird sanctuary in Gujarat ?
27 The rebel Guevara's Christian name
30 Ogled or goggled
32 Black Eyed Peas' genre?
34 Miserable
35 Become firm
37 Stop
38 Former Pakistani all-rounder Wasim ___
40 Cut, snicker - "seen" anagram?
41 Pulls, hauls or tugs
44 Biblical king
46 Black fuel
47 Concluded
50 Unoccupied
51 Untie
52 Only's partner
53 One of your underclothes
54 The main point
55 Knock outs, abbr.

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

R	A	F	A	■	G	A	S	■	A	L	B	A
S	A	Y	S	■	A	I	M	■	N	E	O	N
M	A	N	T	I	L	L	A	■	G	I	L	T
■	■	■	H	P	A	■	L	P	L	A	T	E
A	L	A	M	O	■	F	L	E	E	■	■	■
P	U	P	A	■	A	L	F	R	E	S	C	O
I	L	O	■	M	A	O	R	I	■	I	O	N
O	L	D	H	A	R	R	Y	■	A	N	I	L
■	■	■	A	L	D	A	■	I	V	O	R	Y
G	A	U	R	A	V	■	E	I	A	■	■	■
N	E	L	L	■	A	M	R	I	T	R	A	J
A	R	N	E	■	R	H	O	■	A	I	A	A
R	O	A	M	■	K	O	S	■	R	A	N	G

DOWN

1 __ Pesci who starred in My Cousin Vinny
2 Eighth month, in short
3 Skinflint
4 Arthropod feeler
5 Make suitable for a purpose
6 Deep gorge
7 Amb. attendant
8 Snobbish
9 Quiet period
10 Cruise stop
11 Greek letters - "seat" changed?
16 Cheque writer
19 Survival from the past
20 Aeronautical Mobile Satellite Serv.
21 Duty-roster
23 An expression of disgust or belittlement
25 Writing tables
27 Indian F1 driver Karun ____
28 Flexible water pipe
29 Fencing sword
31 "The" in German
33 Mexican money
36 Sesame paste
38 Shoelace tip
39 Remedies or repairs
41 604 in Rome
42 Went on horseback
43 Types of East Indian shrubs
45 Disturbance
47 Stale air
48 Rock musician Brian
49 Desmond's pet name?



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

HLQA LO TQ UVEVI IVSLYUNMV LCCLIATUNAZ TUANX NA

YLVQ AL RLIG NU LTI SLHCVANALI'Q DTQNUVQQ.

TODAY'S CLUE: T EQUALS U

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: The greatest charity is to enable the poor to earn a living.

SINGLE SCREEN THEATRES

- **Sangam Theatre** — **Ph: 2520494**
  My Name is KD (K) - 4 Shows
- **Mahadeshwara Theatre** — **Mob: 99008-20093**
  KD: The Devil (K) - 4 Shows
- **Gayathri Theatre** — **Ph: 2443568**
  Lo Naveena (K) - 4 Shows
- **Lido Theatre** — **Ph: 2420885**
  Shikhandi (K) - 4 Shows
- **Padma Theatre** — **Ph: 2521923**
  Billa (Ta) - 4 Shows
- **Woodlands Theatre** — **Ph: 2422871**
  KD: The Devil (K) - 3 Shows; *Karuppu (Ta)* - 1 Show
- **Prabha Theatre** — **Mob: 98454-14691**
  Sherr (K) - 4 Shows
- **Rajkamal Theatre** — **Ph: 2423554**
  Karuppu (Ta) - 4 Shows
- **Balaji Theatre** — **Mob: 98863-25207**
  Patriot (Ma) - 3 Shows

MOVIES AT DRC CINEMAS Ph: 4240422 4241800

KD: The Devil (K)	(S-1)	1.00 pm
Drishyam-3 (Ma)	(S-1)	4.00 pm, 10.00 pm
	(S-2)	7.15 pm
	(S-4)	9.30 am, 7.00 pm, 10.20 pm
Karuppu (Ta)	(S-1)	7.10 pm
	(S-2)	10.20 am
	(S-3)	10.00 pm
	(S-4)	12.55 pm, 4.00 pm
Michael (E)	(S-2)	1.30 pm
	(S-3)	4.15 pm
Athiradi (Ma)	(S-2)	10.25 pm
Krishnavataram Part 1: The Heart (H)	(S-2)	4.10 pm
Lo Naveena (K)	(S-3)	10.25 am, 7.05 pm
Drishyam-3 (Ka)	(S-3)	1.00 pm

MOVIES AT MYSURU VISION CINEMAS Ph: 2973519

Karuppu (Ta)	:	1.00 pm, 6.35 pm, 9.30 pm
KD: The Devil (K)	:	1.05 pm, 6.30 pm, 9.15 pm
Lo Naveena (K)	:	1.25 pm, 4.05 pm, 7.00 pm
Drishyam-3 (Ma)	:	1.40 pm, 4.40 pm, 7.45 pm, 9.30 pm
Drishyam-3 (K)	:	3.55 pm
Love Mocktail 3 (K)	:	3.50 pm

MOVIES AT NEXUS MALL

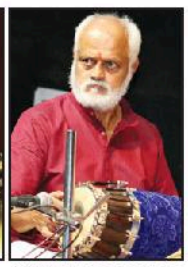
Drishyam-3 (Ma)	:	9.00 am, 12.15 pm, 1.00 pm, 3.30 pm, 6.45 pm, 9.00 pm, 10.00 pm
Drishyam-3 (K)	:	11.15 am, 2.30 pm, 5.45 pm
Karuppu (Ta)	:	9.55 am, 11.00 am, 1.05 pm, 4.45 pm, 7.00 pm, 10.30 pm
Pati Patni Aur Woh Do (H)	:	10.25 am, 2.10 pm, 7.55 pm
Michael (E)	:	10.50 am, 4.15 pm
Lo Naveena (K)	:	1.35 pm, 7.10 pm
KD: The Devil (K)	:	4.15 pm, 7.20 pm
Krishnavataram Part 1: The Heart (H)	:	4.15 pm, 10.10 pm
Bhooth Bangla (H)	:	9.50 pm
Athiradi (Ma)	:	10.20 pm

MOVIES AT GARUDA MALL

Drishyam-3 (Ma)	:	8.30 am, 9.30 am, 12.45 pm, 4.00 pm, 7.15 pm, 9.30 pm, 10.30 pm
Drishyam-3 (Ka)	:	11.50 am, 6.15 pm
Karuppu (Ta)	:	9.40 am, 12.50 pm, 4.00 pm, 7.10 pm, 10.20 pm
KD: The Devil (K)	:	10.30 am, 4.05 pm
Lo Naveena (K)	:	1.25 pm, 7.00 pm
Veerabhadrudu (Te)	:	3.05 pm, 9.40 pm

MJS Memorial Veena Concert

Vid. Parthasarathy


Vid. Ramanujam

Vid. Shamith

Mysuru, May 21- A veena concert in memory of Veena Maestro Vidwan M.J. Srinivasa Iyengar (MJS) will be held at Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha on JLB Road in city, by renowned veena artiste Vid. R. Parthasarathy from Chennai on May 24 at 6 pm.

He will be accompanied by Vid. G.S. Ramanujam on mridanga and by Vid. Shamith S. Gowda on ghata.

Artiste's profile: Vid. R. Parthasarathy is one of the most gifted veena players, who has enthralled audience both in India and abroad with his unique style of playing and has won acclaims both from rasikas as well as critics.

Hailing from a traditional music family, he was under the tutelage of his father Vid. V. Raghavan, a well-known vainika of Veene Seshanna lineage. He is an 'A-Top' graded AIR artiste, panel member of AIR and a Visiting Professor in International Universities with many prestigious awards to his credit.

He is the only veena artiste who has played veena for more than 2,000 film songs for south Indian cinema industry. He has the distinction of performing with legendary artistes — T.N. Krishnan (violin), T.V. Gopalakrishnan (mridanga) and Prapancham Seetharam (flute) — for a veena-venu-violin trio and also having participated in an orchestra of Lalgudi Jayaraman's compositions in Singapore National Arts Council.

EVENTS TODAY (MAY 21)

- **Ganabharathi:** Art patron late B.S. Suresh's 60th birth anniversary, Harikate by Vidu. Srilalitha Uliyaru,**4.45 pm;** Flute recital by M.K. Navneeth, accompanied by Bhuvan R. Mridangam (mridanga) & Vidu. Pruthvi Bhaskar (violin), **5.45 pm;** Bharatanatyam by Vidu. Pooja Sugam & Vidu. K.M. Samiksha, accompanied by Vid. Tanmayi Kishore (nattuvanga), Vid. Vineeth Puravankara (vocal), Vid. Vinod Shyam Anoor (mridanga) & Vid. A.P. Krishnaprasad (flute), Veene Seshanna Bhavana, Ganabharathi, Kuvempunagar, **6.45 pm to 8 pm.**
- **Desiranga Samskruthika Trust:** Staging of play 'Dore Dadiyappa,' written by Horeyala Doreswamy, senior theatre person K.J. Narayana Shetty chief guest, Trust President Krishna Janamana will be present, B.V. Karanth Ranga Vedike, Rangayana premises, **4.30 pm.**
- **Vidyaranya Trust:** Yugapurusha Sri Vidyaranya Jayanti celebrations, District Kannada Sahitya Parishat President Maddikere Gopal, Mysuru City & District Brahmins Association President D.T. Prakash, social worker Raghuram Vajpayee, Vipra leader N.M. Naveen Kumar, former Corporator M.V. Ramprasad & social worker Vikram Iyengar chief guests, Trust premises, Vidyaranyapuram, **5.30 pm.**
- **Mysore Division Tax Practitioners Association:** Study Circle Meeting on Income Tax 2025, #2191, 2nd Main, 5th Cross, K-Block, Kuvempuanagar, **6 pm and 7.30 pm.** [Mob: 98447-17665]

EVENTS TOMORROW (MAY 22)

- **Ramsons Kala Pratishtana:** Ramsons Kreedaa Kaushalya - 11th biennial of traditional board games of India, Ramsons Bombe Mane, Nazarbad, **10 am to 7 pm.**
- **JSS Sangeetha Sabha Trust:** Basava Jayanti and Anniversary celebrations, Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji graces the occasion, Industrialist & Art Patron Dr. M. Jagannath Shenoy inaugurates, retd. Kannada Professor of Mysore University Dr. K. Anantharamu delivers lecture, **6 pm;** Vachana Gayana by Vid. Ballari M. Raghavendra, accompanied by Vid. B.K. Raghu on violin, Vid. Tumkur B. Ravishankar on mridanga and Vid. M.R. Mohan on morching, Navajyoti Auditorium, JSS College for Women, Saraswathipuram, **7 pm.**
- **Ganabharathi:** Taruna Bharathi - Vocal Concerts by Anagha Bharadwaj and M.S. Keerthana, accompanied by Srivatsa on violin and Sumukhashesha on mridanga, Ganabharathi Veene Seshanna Bhavana, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm.**
- **Udbhava Kalavidaru, Bengaluru and Sanchalana Mysuru and Tasmi, Mysuru:** Inauguration of Greeshma Rangotsava, MLA K. Harishgowda, MCCI President Dr. K.B. Lingaraju, CAVA Administrative Officer Nirmala Mathapati, Journalist Rashmi Koti and Udbhava Kalavidaru Treasurer Shantha will be present, Deepak Mysore of Sanchalana Mysuru delivers keynote address; Staging of play 'Nansiri' by Natya Vaibhava, Hassan Central Commerce College, directed by Dhananjay Diyan, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **6.30 pm.**

MOVIES AT MALL OF MYSORE

Drishyam-3 (Ma)	:	9.00 am, 12.15 pm, 12.50 pm, 3.30 pm, 6.45 pm, 10.00 pm
Drishyam-3 (Ka)	:	9.55 am, 3.45 pm, 9.40 pm
Karuppu (Ta)	:	9.50 am, 1.00 pm, 4.10 pm, 7.20 pm, 10.30 pm
KD: The Devil (K)	:	9.55 am, 4.05 pm, 10.15 pm
Lo Naveena (K)	:	1.05 pm, 7.00 pm
Athiradi (Ma)	:	7.00 pm

MOVIES AT CENTRO MALL

Drishyam-3 (Ma)	:	9.30 am, 11.45 am, 12.45 pm, 4.00 pm, 6.15 pm, 7.15 pm, 9.30 pm, 10.30 pm
Drishyam-3 (K)	:	3.00 pm
Karuppu (Ta)	:	9.55 am, 1.05 pm, 4.15 pm, 7.00 pm, 10.20 pm
Athiradi (Ma)	:	10.00 am, 3.45 pm, 10.10 pm
Pati Patni Aur Woh Do (H)	:	1.10 pm
KD: The Devil (K)	:	7.25 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there is no minimum audience of 15.

JSS phone-in with Agri JD

K.H. Ravi

Mysuru, May 21- JSS Radio 91.2 FM has organised a special live phone-in programme with the Joint Director (JD) of Agriculture K.H. Ravi tomorrow (May 22) from 11.30 am to 12.30 pm.

During the programme, farmers and the general public can directly interact with the Joint Director and seek guidance on monsoon crops, agricultural practices, Government schemes, farmer welfare services, subsidies, incentives and other facilities available through the Department of Agriculture.

Listeners can participate in live interaction by calling Mob: 82967-25912 or Ph: 0821-2546563. JSS Radio can also be heard through JSS Radio App, available on the Google Playstore.

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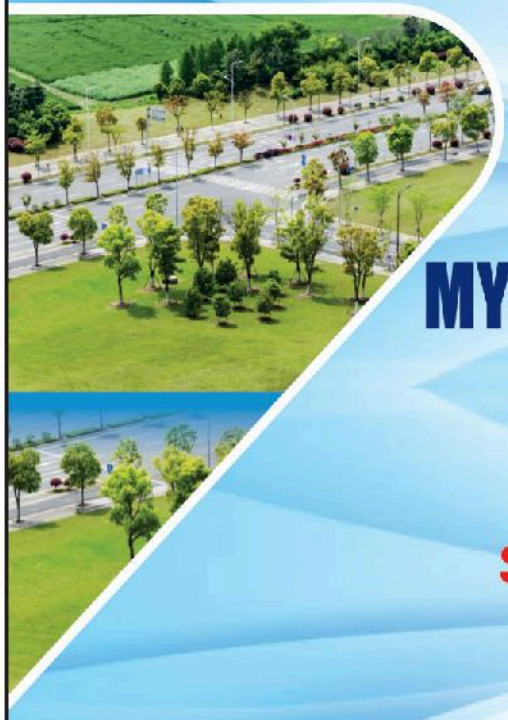

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